

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

NOV 03 2009

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Confirmation No. 8160

Eiichi SADAYUKI et al

Attorney Docket: 28951.1179

Application No.: 10/584,620

Group Art Unit 2838

Filed: June 26, 2006

Examiner Arun C. Williams

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

STATUS INQUIRY LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It would be appreciated if you would indicate the status of the above-identified application below, including an indication as to when the next communication can be expected, and communicate said information to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPTOE & JOHNSON LLP



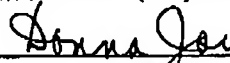
Roger W. Parkhurst
Registration No. 25,177

Date: November 3, 2009

1330 Connecticut Avenue NW
Washington DC 20036-1795
Telephone: (202) 429-3000
Facsimile: (202) 429-3902

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Facsimile Number (571) 273-8300 on November 3, 2009:

By: 
Donna Joy

* Telephone or facsimile responses to Status Inquiries should be directed to the IP Docket Specialist.